**Workshop: responsible futures for the Internet**

**31/01/2025, 9.45am to 2pm**

**University of Nottingham, Jubilee Campus, Business School South, room A24**

**Location information:** Business School South is number 7 [on this map](https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/sharedresources/documents/mapjubileecampus.pdf). It is very close to the Jubilee conference centre and hotel.

**Overview**

The Internet is of significant interest to research and stakeholder communities across the globe. Areas of current interest and debate include digital divides, online privacy, online wellbeing, governance, censorship, and information propagation. It is essential our communities come together in a global conversation to consider how it might be possible to secure responsible futures for the Internet: *what might a safe, equitable, accessible and useful Internet look like, and how it can be achieved?* In this half-day workshop we bring together RAISE workshop participants and members of the University of Nottingham to suggest and debate visions for responsible Internet futures. We will also be joined by Robin Wilton, Director of Trust at the Internet Society. The themes of the meeting will connect closely with the issues of responsibility highlighted in the RAISE workshop.

**Workshop organisation**

This is the second in a series of workshops on this theme and is being run as part of a UKRI-funded Responsible AI UK project ‘TAS-Hub and Good Systems Strategic Collaboration’. The first workshop was held in September 2024 at the at the University of Texas at Austin during the 2nd International Symposium on Trustworthy Autonomous Systems.

The workshop will be small, fun and informal. There will be 15-20 participants and we will combine short presentations with time for discussion. Following on from the outcomes of the first workshop in Texas, our discussion will particularly focus on the questions:

* What values should a responsible internet have?
* What are the (current) priorities for achieving a responsible internet?

**Agenda**

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| 9.45 – 10.00 | Welcome and introductions |
| 10.00 – 10.40 | Presentations and discussion  **Pepita Barnard** (RAI-UK and Horizon Digital Research Institute, School of Computer Science, University of Nottingham) will describe her research work on a Privacy Preserving Observatory Using Linguistic Markers  **George Ogoh** (School of Computer Science, University of Nottingham) will talk about his work on emerging technology ethics and will reflect on the question of what a responsible internet might look like. |
| 10.40 – 11.10 | **Alfie Cameron** (School of Computer Science, University of Nottingham) will lead an interactive design activity for a responsible Internet |
| 11.10 – 11.30 | Coffee break |
| 11.30 – 12.15 | Break out discussion: following on from the first session, we will agree key questions and discuss them in small groups |
| 12.15 – 1pm | Full group discussion and conclusions |
| 1pm – 2pm | Light sandwich lunch (meat, vegetarian and vegan options available) |

**For more information about the workshop and the RAi UK project, please contact** [**helena.webb@nottingham.ac.uk**](mailto:helena.webb@nottingham.ac.uk)